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PHONES
HOME, 5642 STONE
BELL, 5869 MAIN

December 12th, 1917.

American Numismatic Society,
Broadway near 156th. St.,
New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

I am a member of the A. N. A. and also of the Rochester Numismatic Society and am quite interested in medals. Please send me a priced list of any medals that you have on sale and greatly oblige

Yours very truly,

GAG/ID.

Geo. A. Gillette

December 14th, 1917.

George A. Gillette, Esq.,
1016 Wilder Building,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 12th. I am enclosing herewith a card giving a list of the medals published by this Society together with their prices, first in silver, second in bronze. Some of these medals we no longer have on hand, but if you will let me know of any that you would care to have I can then advise you more fully.

Under separate cover I am sending a copy of our Historical Sketch which illustrates these medals and will enable you to judge of their merits.

May I say that we should be very glad to welcome you as a member in The American Numismatic Society. This is not a local organization but a national Society as you doubtless know. I am enclosing an application-for-membership card, and I hope you will be able to see your way clear to signing it and returning it to me. When next you are in New York, I should be very glad to greet you here at the Society should you find an opportunity for visiting our museum, and any particular field in which you might have a special interest will, of course, be at your disposal for study or observation.

Yours very sincerely,

Secretary.

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December 7th, 1920.

Arthur C. Wyman, Asst. Curator,
Museum American Numismatic Assoc.
Broadway & 156th. Street,
New York City. New York

My dear Sir;-

I wish you would send me a list of the silver or any other ancient Duplicates denarii which you have left, and the prices of them. I think there are one or two Augustus' that I would like. Have you gotten through with the two Calpurnias that I wished you to send me that were consigned to you from A. T. Baldwin of London? Tell Mr. Newell that I have lot No. 1393 in the Elder sale. It was a Corinthian Stater with Pegasus in the attitude of a horse grazing. I never saw one before and I wondered whether it was genuine. I also got lot No. 1414 which was a Western Satrap of India and it was very interesting to me as I never saw one before.

BMC

Coin of Beni Zengide of Mesopotamia 1200 A.D.

I just received word from the Mehl sale that I had been the lucky purchaser of lot No. 198 which is the ~~$8.00~~ Swedish giant copper Daler piece. It is 12 x 24 and weighs 32 pounds. Have you one in your collection? You were going to send me a list of the A.N.S. medals which you have on hand. Have you the J. P. Morgan medal or the John Paul Jones medal in silver. I just got one of Morgan in bronze in the Low sale. You promised to send me a list of dealers in Europe from whom I could get priced lists on ancients. Will you please give me the names of dealers who would be willing to sell coins on consignment to Americans.

With best regards to Mr. Newell and Yourself, I am

Yours very truly, Geo A Gillette

December 9th, 1920

George A. Gillette, Esq.
1016 Wilder Building
Rochester, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Gillette:

I shall be very glad to send you a list of the silver denarii and such other ancient duplicates as we have for disposal - or, perhaps even better, send you the coins themselves and give you an opportunity to make a selection. This, however, I will not be able to do for a day or two yet as I have been away from the Museum and shall need some time to catch up with some accumulated work. I will also then send the two Calpurnias which I have reserved for you out of the lot sent me by Baldwin.

I spoke to Mr. Newell in regard to Lot 1393 in the Elder Sale; he remembers the piece, and says there is no question of its genuineness. It is a scarce type but is illustrated in the British Museum Catalogue of Corinthian coins.

In regard to Lot 1414, Mr. Wood informs me that this is not a piece of one of the Western Satraps of India but a coin of the Beni Zengids of Mesopotamia issued about 1200 A.D. You certainly were fortunate in getting the Swedish 8-daler piece. We have one of approximately the same dimension as yours and, also, weighing 32 pounds. Would you kindly let us know what you paid for this piece as we are rather anxious to get an idea of the market value of the large copper plate money?

I will have a list of our medals made up for you immediately.

The European dealers from whom you might secure coins on approval are -

A. H. Baldwin..... 4a Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, London, W.C.
Spink & Son ..... 17,18 Piccadilly, London, W.1
Etienne Bourgey..... 7 Rue Drouet, Paris
Feuardent Frères..... 4 Rue de Louvois (2e) Paris.

Of these, Baldwin would be rather the cheapest, but his establishment is not organized for business by correspondence and you may find him a little slow in making replies. I will write to Spink, Baldwin and Bourgey telling them of my acquaintance with you and requesting that they extend their courtesy to you.

Very truly yours,

Assistant to Curator

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PHONES:
HOME, 5642 STONE
BELL, 5869 MAIN

November 12th, 1921.

Arthur C. Wyman, Numismatist,
c/o American Mumismatic Society.
Broadway at 156th. Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I have received by consignment on approval from Charles T. Seltman of Cambridge, England, a copy of the elebrated denarius of Brutus Ides of March priced 18.£ which I believe is the same coin which you told me you once had on approval about the time you bought the Miller specimen. I would like toask your opinion as to whether you consider that coin to be a genuine specimen and to be in such good condition as to be an acceptable specimen at that price.

When I bought your denarii I understood that you were going to send me some of the unusual varities of the Baldwin consignment of Calpurnia family. I suppose you have sent them back long before this. If you have any duplicates of Greek or Roman coins I wish you would send me a list of them and the prices. I bought quite a number of Roman Aureii and Solidi from Mr. Seltman, most of them from the Sotheby, et al., sale held at London on July 5th. and 6th..

Give my regards to Mr. Newell and Mr. Wood and if you or they are in this City some time I have some interesting coins which I think you would be quite interested to see.

Yours very truly,

Geo. A. Gillette

November 23rd, 1921

George A. Gillette, Esq.
1016 Wilder Building
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gillette:

Your letter to Mr. Wyman has been referred to me by Mr. Wood for response to a part of it, at least. Mr. Wyman has been in Paris for the past six months and contemplates taking up his residence there indefinitely.

I note your query concerning duplicates of Greek and Roman coins, and in this connection I would mention that Mr. Newell purchased a rather considerable collection during the past summer. There were a number of duplicates and these he has placed in my keeping. He specifically said if you should come to New York you were to feel free to look them over.

There are 405 Greek coins including pieces of the following -

Tarentum	6.	Leontini	2	Corcyra	2
Corinth	3	Caulonia		Poseidonia	
Terina	2	Velia	2	Syracuse	3
Rhegium	2	Miletus		Thurium	2
Seleucids		Himera			

There are also nine aurei, among which there are three of Nero, one of Vespasian, one of Vitellius, one of Constantine, another of Antoninus Pius and Titus, as well as four silver pieces (Imperial).

I should like very much to have you see these coins, and if you are in New York in the near future, I would suggest your calling either myself or Mr. Wood so that it can be made possible for you to see the pieces when you get to the Museum.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

SPH/E

March 17th, 1925

George A. Gillette, Esq.
1016 Wilder Building
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gillette:

At Mr. Newell's request, we sent you, under separate cover, a package of coins which I trust will reach you in good order.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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March 17th. 1925.

Mr. Sidney P. Noye,
Broadway & 56th. St.,
New York City. N. Y.

Dear Mr. Noye;-

Replying to yours of yesterday will state that I received in good order the package which you sent me at Mr. Newell's request, also the contorniat of Trajan which he ~~you~~ sent me in a separate parcel.

I am grateful to Mr. Newell for the very scholarly and useful notes which he made for me on the envelopes containing the the coins. I have no catalogue of the medals and publications of the A.N.S. since 1913 and at many of our meetings of the R. N. A. questions are asked about such medals. If you have any catalogues of such medals and a statement of the ones which are contained in it now on hand and at what prices they can be obtained I wish you would send me a copy and greatly oblige

Yours very truly,

Wm. A. Gillette

Pass 5
Choate 10 - 5

Babelon 10 - 5
~~Lucotin~~ 10 - 5
~~Wm. Strahl~~ 1920 - 5
~~Catholic Diocese~~ 5
~~Chetwood~~ 10 - 5
Auction 10 - 5
~~Muhlenberg~~ - 5
~~Grant~~ 10 - 5

April 11th, 1925

George A. Gillette, Esq.
1016 Wilder Building
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gillette:

We have sent you a book containing illustrations of various medals issued by our Society. Those which can still be had are checked in the Catalogue, with notations as to whether silver, bronze, or both, can be purchased. We can also furnish copies of the Peace Medal in bronze at Five Dollars, and of the Joseph H. Choate medal in silver and bronze, at $10.00 and $5.00 respectively.

I am enclosing a list of our Numismatic Notes and Monographs which are for sale. No. 25 will be issued in the course of two or three weeks - this will be entitled "A Bibliography of Greek Coin Hoards"; following this, will be published "A Numismatic Palimpsest".

Very truly yours,

Enc.

Secretary

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Apr 14 1926

PHONE, 5869 MAIN

Mr Sidney P Nor
asst Curator A.M.S. 156 + Broadway

Dear Bro. Nor:

will you kindly inform me whether Dr Jacob Hirsch is still in New York + if you can tell me his present address, where mail will reach him if still in America and greatly oblige

Yours very truly
Geo. A Gillette

April 15th, 1926

George A. Gillette, Esq.
1016 Wilder Building
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gillette:

Dr. Hirsch told us that he would let us know before he went back to Europe. He was previously at the Hotel Plaza, but I should think you would be certain to reach him by writing to the Reinhardt Galleries, 730 Fifth Avenue, New York, where his material was exhibited. I will try to bear in mind to speak to him of you when he comes, to make sure that he has received your communication in the event that you write to him there.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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December 6, 1926.

American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Corner of 156th. St.,
New York City.

Gentlemen:-

I herewith inclose a $5.00 check in payment of my dues for 1926 in the American Numismatic Society. I find that I am a member of too many organizations and I therefore on account of having too many calls for funds in other directions hereby resign my associate membership in your society.

Yours very truly,

GAG:EL

Geo. A. Gillette

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March 3, 1930.

Mr. S. P. Noe,
A. N. S.
Corner of 156th. Street and Broadway,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I wrote a letter on the 19th. to Mr. Newell enclosing a Tetradrachm of Rhodes. Afterward I received a postcard from the New York Post Office stating that they could not find Mr. Newell and I authorized them to deliver it either to you or Mr. Wood. If Mr. Newell is not present I wish you would open the letter and examine the Tetradrachm. Mr. Wood expressed some doubt as to its genuineness. I think I enclosed stamps for return postage.

Thanking you in advance for any favor you may do for me in this matter, I am

Yours very truly,

Geo. A. Gillette

GAG:MD

March 6, 1930

Mr. George A. Gillette
1016 Wilder Bldg
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gillette:

Responding to your letter of March 4th, neither Mr. Newell nor I have seen the letter containing the Tetradrachm of Rhodes, of which you write. I hope it has not gone astray, and I am sending you this word in order that you may trace it.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

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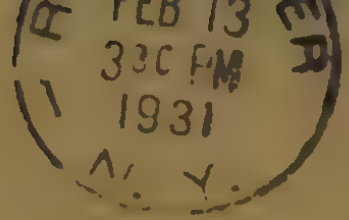
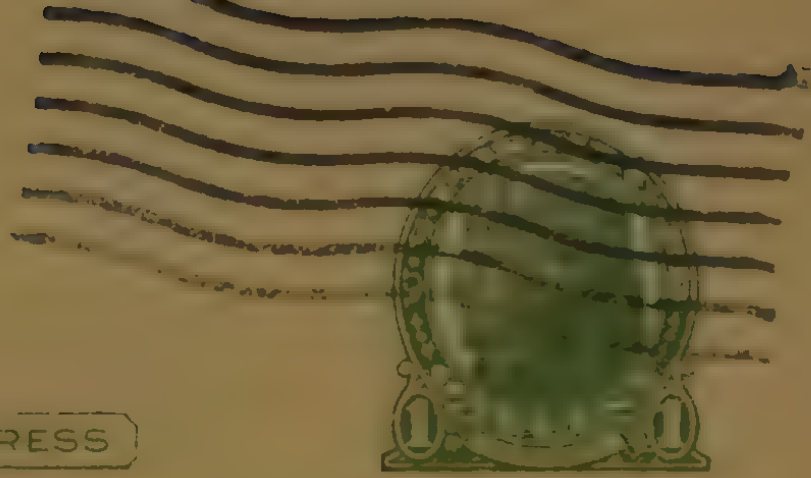
Dear Mr Hoe:

I sent 2 days ago
a registered letter
with some ancient ~~coin~~
(especially a Cretan)
addressed to Mr Edward T
Newell asking about
their genuineness
If Mr Newell is away
or too busy and cannot
attend to same I
wish you would
Examine same
& give me your
opinion & greatly
oblige Yours truly
Geo A Gillette
Rochester N.Y.





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr Sidney P. Noe
c/o the American Numismatic Soc
Broadway & 156th St
New York City

TELEPHONE MAIN 5869

GEORGE A. GILLETTE
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April 1, 1931.

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American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 156th. Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

Replying to your favor of March 27, 1931 in which you state that I have paid my dues for the year 1931 twice, I am satisfied if you will apply it to my membership dues for 1932.

Yours very truly,

Geo. A. Gillette

P. S. Tell Messrs Newell & Wood that I appreciate very much their kindness in expertizing the medals which I sent them and which were returned in good condition. I had no trouble in convincing Mr Bolender that those who offered in his Feb 27 sale ~~who had~~ the Italian renaissance medals which were guaranteed genuine in his catalogue were much mistaken. Geo A Gillette

TELEPHONE MAIN 5869

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July 14, 1931.

Edward T. Newell or S. P. Noe,
A. N. S.
156th. Street and Broadway,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Sir:-

On July 2, 1931 I sent a letter addressed to Mr. Newell containing lot #798 in Bolender's sale of June 26, 1931, being an ancient coin of Eion. If Mr. Newell is away you may open said letter and examine said coin and please give me your opinion on the same.

I am herewith enclosing three separate coins, two of them bid in on Elder's sale of July 1st. and 2nd. Lot #704 being attributed B. C. 370 Heracleia very rare type stater, see Head page 72. I find in my copy of Head on page 56 a didrachm described as having an obverse in which Athena is facing front, but all the specimens that I can find in my sales catalogues have Athena's head to the right in a crested helmet adorned with hippocamp or skylla. Please let me know whether this is genuine.

Another is a Syracuse coin lot #1710. Please examine this and see whether it is genuine.

The other is a Tessera XII on reverse. Mr. Lange, from whom I bought the same, said Mr. Newell had seen it and pronounced it genuine when he bought it at a Elder's sale. Mr. Bauer and I rather doubted its being genuine.

Please expertize these as soon as possible and return same to me as I wish to settle for them. Enclosed please find 20¢ in stamps for return postage.

Thanking you in advance for any services you may render me in the premises, I am

Yours very truly,

Geo A. Gillette

GAG:ED

July 16, 1931.

Mr. George A. Gillette
1016 Wilder Building
Rochester, New York.

Dear Mr. Gillette:

The three coins which you sent to me are returned herewith. The other one sent to Mr. Newell was probably taken by him, when he last visited our building and may be returned to you, by this time.

Both Mr. Wood and I feel that all three of these pieces are genuine. The Syracusean Tetradrachm is unquestionably all right and we see no reason to doubt the Tesera. The facing head type occurs at Heracleia and despite the condition of the surface of the coin, we think it unquestionably ancient. I hope this information will meet your need. With cordial regards I beg to subscribe myself

Very truly yours,

SN:JG

Secretary

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